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In re: Chisari

Appln. No.: 08/854,825

Filing Date: May 12, 1997

For: **Hepatitis C Virus-Derived  
Peptides...**

Reference: 329368-101A

Art Unit: 1648

Examiner: Parkin, Jeffrey S.

AMENDMENT AND REPLY  
TO OFFICE ACTION

Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Responsive to the Office Action dated October 3, 2002, the amendments set forth below are respectfully submitted.<sup>1</sup> With the Petition for an Extension of Time (one month), the present amendment is timely filed on or before February 3, 2003.

<sup>1</sup> I HEREBY CERTIFY THAT THIS CORRESPONDENCE IS BEING DEPOSITED WITH THE UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE AS FIRST-CLASS MAIL IN AN ENVELOPE ADDRESSED TO: COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS, WASHINGTON, D.C. 20231, ON 2/3/03.

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